

Our city

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For this project, a survey was conducted in 13 832 men and women aged more than 18 years in 35 districts of Lima downtown. Among 386 and 400 interviews were made in each district. The survey dealt with two purposes: to contribute to diagnose security problems and to be a baseline to assess security plans for their implementation in each district.

The results report a city with high victimization rate per homes and a high insecurity perception, together with very low levels of approval of security enforcement institutions. It is inferred that the high insecurity perception is not arbitrary, but it corresponds both to high victimization levels and a marked institutional weakness. On the other side, the latter explains the high levels of victimization. Therefore, in order to change the negative security conditions, it is necessary to strengthen both National Police Force and community patrol services.

Delinquency in figures

- At least, there was a victim of a crime in 43% of homes from Lima.
- Districts with high victimization rate per home: Comas and Villa El Salvador (52% each one).
- The district with the lowest victimization rate per home: Lurín (22%).
- 50% of registered crimes were thefts and 20% of burglaries at home or in premises.
- 11% of mugging, a modality which involves physical violence against a person.
- The districts with great impact on mugging are as follows: Lince, San Luis, Lurín, San Juan de Miraflores and Chorrillos.
- Districts with less impact on mugging are as follows: Chaclacayo, San Borja, Miraflores, La Victoria and Lurigancho - Chosica.

Police force and community patrols

- 29% of people from Lima consider that police work is good or very good only.
- 63% of people from Lima consider that police work is bad or very bad.
- 30% of people from Lima consider that community patrol work is good or very good.
- 52% of people from Lima consider that community patrol work is bad or very bad.
- 11% people subject to survey stated that they do not enjoy community patrol services. It has to be understood as a disapproval thereof since, except for Villa El Salvador, all the districts subject to the survey enjoy this service.